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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PHILADELPHIA COUNTY
TRIAL DIVISION - CRIMINAL SECTION

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA	:	COURT OF COMMON PLEAS TRIAL DIVISION
v.	:	
	:	CP-51-MD- -2010
THE REAL PROPERTY AND IMPROVEMENTS KNOWN AS 2544 N COLORADO ST. PHILADELPHIA, PA 19132	: : : :	JANUARY TERM 2010 NO.

PETITION FOR FORFEITURE PURSUANT TO 42 Pa.C.S. § 6801 ET SEQ.

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF THE SAID COURT:

R. SETH WILLIAMS, District Attorney of Philadelphia County by his Chief of the Public Nuisance Task Force, Beth Grossman, and Assistant District Attorney, Rachel Steamer, respectfully represent:

1. The Commonwealth is moving for forfeiture of the real property and improvements known as 2544 N COLORADO ST., PHILADELPHIA, PA 19132.

2. The Philadelphia Real Estate Directory lists ROCHELLE BING DAVIS as the owner(s) of the real property at 2544 N COLORADO ST., Philadelphia, PA. The property was last sold on or about December 19, 2003, for $1.00. The tax assessment value for 2010 was $2,272.00.

3. On October 27, 2009, police went to the 2500 block of N. Colorado St. to investigate complaints of illegal narcotics sales at 2544 N COLORADO ST. Police directed a confidential informant ("C/I") armed with pre-recorded buy money ("PRBM") to the property and observed as the C/I knocked at the door, which was answered by a person later identified as ANDREW BING. The C/I was allowed to enter the property and stayed inside for a short time. The C/I then exited and returned directly to police, handing over four packets of crack cocaine.

4. On October 28, 2009, police again directed a C/I armed with PRBM to 2544 N COLORADO ST. Police observed as the C/I knocked at the door, which was answered by BING. The C/I was allowed to enter the property and stayed inside for a short time. The C/I then exited and returned directly to police, handing over four packets of crack cocaine.

5. On October 30, 2009, police executed search and seizure warrant number 141190 on 2544 N COLORADO ST. BING was arrested and recovered from his person was $400.00 and a cell phone. Recovered from the second floor rear bedroom were numerous new and unused packets and a court subpoena in the name of BING with the address 2544 N COLORADO ST.

6. The real property at 2544 N COLORADO ST., PHILADELPHIA, PA, is subject to forfeiture pursuant to 42 Pa. C.S. §6801(a)(6)(i)(C) because it was used and/or continues to be used (or intended to be used) to commit, or to facilitate the commission of, violations of the Controlled Substance, Drug, Device, and Cosmetic Act, 35 Pa C.S. §§ 780-101 et seq.

WHEREFORE, the Commonwealth respectfully requests that the above-captioned property be forfeited and transferred to the custody of the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office pursuant to 42 Pa. C.S. § § 6801, 6802.

Respectfully submitted,

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